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SUBJ: STRANDED TOURISTS:"FIRST WITH THE NEWS IN NEWFOUNDLAND"

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ONE OF THE "WHAT IF"STORIES DURING THE CURRENT STRIKE TOOK PLACE IN ST JOHNS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 28. IT APPEARED THAT THE PORT AUX BASQUE STRIKERS WERE READY TO OPERATE THE FERRIES TO MOVE THE STRANDEES AND A MEETING WAS TO BE HELD AT NOON ON THE NORTH SYDNEY SIDE TO VOTE ON THE MATTER.

PRIOR TO THE UNION MEETING, A LOCAL ST JOHNS RADIO STATION, WHICH CLAIMS TO BE FIRST WITH THE NEWS ANNOUNCED THAT CNSS NEWFOUNDLAND STEAMSHIP SERVICE WOULD BE BACK IN OPERATION WITHIN A FEW HOURS. LOCAL UNIONS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE GULF WERE EXTREMELY UPSET THAT A DECISION ON THE VERY MATTER THEY WERE TO DISCUSS HAD APPARENTLY BEEN MADE AND VOTED NOT TO OPERATE THE FERRIES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STATION TOLD ME THAT THEY HAD BEEN "VERY OPTIMISTIC" AND THAT THERE WAS PROBABLY SOME "CARELESS REWRITING." DOBBS

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